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SUBJECT: HEMO- CARIBBEAN OPERATION STILL SUSPENDED

1. MILTON BARALL TELEPHONED EMBASSY MARCH 26 TO ASK WHAT WE HAD LEARNED ABOUT STATUS HEMO- CARIBBEAN SUSPENSION AND PROSPECTS FOR RESUMPTION ACTIVITIES. DCM INFORMED HIM:

A. SUSPENSION STILL IN EFFECT.

B. WE HAD DISCUSSED MATTER WITH UNDER SECRETARY OF FINANCE FOURCAND AND SECRETARY OF PUBLIC HEALTH THEARD. LATTER HAD UNDERTAKEN TO TRY TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE MEDICAL REPORT ON WHICH SUSPENSION WAS BASED. FORMER UNDERTOOK TO OBTAIN A DEFINITIVE GOH POSITION ON HEMO- CARIBBEAN'S PROSPECTS BY END OF MARCH.

C. BARALL MIGHT WISH POSTPONE A PROPOSED VISIT TO HAITI UNTIL WE HAVE RECEIVED REPLIES FROM FOURCAND AND THEARD.

2. FYI AMBASSADOR HELD DISCUSSION WITH THEARD MARCH 19 AND DCM AND ECONOMIC OFFICER TALKED TO FOURCAND MARCH 13. END FYI.

3. BARALL SAID HE HAD ACCOMPANIED HEMO- CARIBBEAN LAWYER ON VISIT TO AMBASSADOR CHALMERS AND THAT CHALMERS AGREED TO FORWARD TO THEARD HEMO- CARIBBEAN'S VIEWS AS FOLLOWS:

A. WHATEVER IRREGULARITIES MAY HAVE EXISTED IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PREVIOUS OPERATIONS OWING TO LUCKNER CAMBRONNE'S INVOLVEMENT WERE THINGS OF THE PAST.

B. ALL NEW OPERATIONS WOULD BE ABOVE BOARD.

C. COMPANY CONSIDERING SETTING UP A FOUNDATION WHICH WOULD MAKE AVAILABLE TO MINISTRY OF HEALTH \$100,000 PER ITINERARY. HE INDICATED THAT HE WOULD EXTEND HIS TRIP BY FROM 2 TO 3 WEEKS BEYOND 7/2 IF ANY OF THE FOREGOING COULD BE ARRANGED FOR HIM.

3. TRICK INFORMED ZOUNER THAT HE WOULD REPORT ABOVE TO FAS WHO WOULD IN TURN NOTIFY USFGC AND ASA ABOUT MATTER. HE WAS ALSO TOLD THAT THESE COOPERATORS MIGHT BE ABLE TO ARRANGE FOR HIM TO SEE SOME SUCH INSTALLATIONS, IF THE FAO COURSE DOES NOT INCLUDE THEM IN ITS PROGRAM. ZOUNER ASKED WHO HE SHOULD CONTACT IN FAS AFTER HE LEARNED WHAT HIS FAO PROGRAM WOULD BE. TRICK SUGGESTED ALAN HOLZ AS INITIAL CONTACT, AS SOMEONE HE HAD ALREADY MET. ZOUNER'S FAO CONTROL MAN IN WASHINGTON IS BUCHANAN. HIS ENGLISH, INCIDENTALLY, IS NOT TOO GOOD BUT SHOULD BE ADEQUATE FOR INDEPENDENT TRAVEL. IT IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT HE WILL HAVE FAO TRAVEL OR EXPENSE FUNDS FOR ANY POST TRAINING TRAVEL IN U. S. HIS WASHINGTON HOTEL IS NATIONAL.

4. TRICK STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT FAS AND INVOLVED COOPERATORS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO FURTHER EDUCATE THIS INFLUENTIAL OFFICIAL ON U. S. FEED TECHNOLOGY. ZOUNER WILL ALSO CONTINUE MOST PROBABLY AS KEY MAN WITH WHOM COOPERATOR ACTIVITIES IN POLAND MUST BE COORDINATED IN FUTURE. SPECIFICALLY PLEASE BE SURE THAT TAYLOR, USFGC, IS INFORMED THAT ZOUNER IS IN WASHINGTON. IF TRICK'S SERVICES AS ESCORT OFFICER ARE NEEDED AS ABSOLUTE LAST RESORT KEEP IN MIND THAT HE MUST IN ANY EVENT BE IN U. S. BY 7/21 FOR ATTACHE CONFERENCE. IF NO ARRANGEMENTS OF TYPES DESCRIBED ARE POSSIBLE, FATS AND OILS AND GRAIN AND FEED DIVISION AND COOPERATOR PERSONNEL SHOULD MAKE AN EFFORT TO BE FRIENDLY AND HELPFUL TO HIM AND REPRESENTATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT SHOULD BE ARRANGED.

5. ONLY REGRET IS THAT PROGRAM OF TYPE HE HAS REQUESTED WOULD BE RESTRICTED TO ZOUNER. IT WOULD APPEAR BEST TO ALSO OFFER TO INCLUDE OTHER IMPORTANT GOP FEED POLICY OFFICIALS. SUGGEST THEREFORE THAT FAS AND COOPERATORS GIVE CONSIDERATION TO UPDATING LARGER VISITATION WHICH TAYLOR IS EXPECTED TO RECOMMEND IN HIS REPORT ON POSSIBLE USFGC ACTIVITIES FOR POLAND (SEE TRICK AIRCOMM OF 3/19/73 TO GRAIN AND FEED). ADVISE BY CABLE IF INTERESTED IN TRICK'S PURSUING BROADENING OF SUCH AN ORIENTALIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TION PROGRAM TO INCLUDE OTHER SUCH GOP OFFICIALS, INCLUDING POSSIBLY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE OKUNIEWSKI.
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